## Appleton Select Board July 21, 2020

- 1.Convene, 7:30 p.m. (Fenner, Beckett, Garrigan, Gould/Costigan, unsworn)
- 2. Reminder: Meetings are recorded.
- 3. Beckett: Motion to approve minutes of July 7, 2020. Garrigan: Second. Beckett: Yay. Fenner: Yay. Garrigan: Yay. Gould: Yay.
- 4. Public Comment: None.
- 5. Road Commissioner: Striping on Sennebec Road should begin this evening. Three culverts replaced on Lower Road. Three culverts replaced on Whitney Road. Reset culvert on Whitney Road. Grading to reclaim overgrown sections of Whitney. Appleton Ridge Road regraded and regraveled. Essancy Road had added gravel. Graded Collinstown Road without added gravel at this time but likely adding more gravel to Collinstown in the fall. Calcium applied a few times to Appleton Ridge Road. Magnesium also purchases, although costs \$1.50 more. Fenner: Snow Hill hasn't been graded in the spring or the summer and its washing (out). West Appleton Road culvert at intersection with Old County Road is washed out. Garrigan: How is mowing progressing any surprises?
- 6. Select Board: Beckett: Nominate John Fenner as chair. Garrigan: Second. Beckett: Yes.. Fenner: Yes. Garrigan: Yes. Gould: Yes. Fenner: Nominate Peter Beckett as the vice chair. Gould: Second. Beckett: Yes. Fenner: Yes. Garrigan: Yes. Gould: Yes. Fenner: Nominate Lorie Costigan, secretary. Beckett: Yes. Fenner: Yes. Garrigan: Yes. Gould: Yes. Committee Assignments: No Changes to Committee Assignments. Garrigan added to school facilities committee. Digitized Tax Maps: Peter Beckett.
- 7. Fenner: Motion to accept a 1962 Forestry Tanker Truck (converted military six-wheel-drive truck donated by the Scarborough Fire Department and an individual. Serviced and inspected for 2020. Costigan: Second. Beckett: Yes. Costigan: Yes. Fenner: Yes. Garrigan: Yes. Gould: Yes. 8. Election Results Discussion: Fenner: We have an odd situation where for an unknown reason Charles Garrigan was elected on write in votes, which is all fine, but for some reason there were very few that the system identified, for whatever reason. We have had questions about the results from a large number of people who wrote in name and voted for him and they can't understand what happened. Someone who was not elected could request an inspection or a recount. The recount had to be filed by today. The inspection last day is tomorrow so it seems unlikely any of the people who received a vote will do that. The ballots are sealed in a box. Fenner inquired if there is a procedure by where we could inspect the ballots by the clerk's supervision. It calls into the question peoples' votes were counted wrong. Gould: The person was certain they filled in the circle for the write in, so it follows the questions around Charlie's votes. I think we need to find out what happened. Fenner: The only way is to inspect the ballots. MMA Attorney recommends we get the town attorney to file an action in court to get a judge order to order the clerk to allow the clerk to inspect the ballots. For the integrity of the elections I think it is important. Beckett: Motion for the town attorney to file a motion There are two choice. Do nothing and inspect in two months: Fenner: In 60 days the ballots must be destroyed and have to be done in a manner that is "blind;" the clerks cannot review, according to MMA. To authorize Fenner: Motion to hire town attorney to do what is necessary to enable the selected board to inspect the ballot from the municipal election. Beckett: Second. Beckett:

Yes. Fenner: Yes. Garrigan: Yes. Gould: Yes. Garrigan: Good luck, John. Thank you for doing that. Fenner: The MMA attorney has never seen it before.

- 8. Town Office Evening Hours: Fenner: Rotational basis for select board member to attend Zoom meeting to help let the clerks feel comfortable opening for evening hours. To be assigned weekly, alphabetically, until the office is able to open to more people at one time. Motion to resume evening hours starting July 28. Beckett: Second. Bekett: Yes. Fenner: Yes. Garrigan: Yes. Gould: Yes.
- 9. W. Appleton Road Closure: Fenner: Motion to close W. Appleton Road from Appleton Ridge Road to Searsmont Line to July 27, 2002 to August 7, 2020, to through traffic. Gould: Second. Beckett: Yes. Costigan: Yes. Fenner: Yes. Garrigan: Yes. Gould: Yes.
- 10. Fenner: Motion to appoint Tim Warden to the Board of Appeals for a one-year term. Beckett: Second. Beckett: Yes. Fenner: Yes. Garrigan: Yes. Gould: Yes.
- 10. MMA has elected officials workshop starting in August.
- 11. Garrigan: Motion to adjourn by unanimous consent. Costigan: Second. Adjourned by unanimous consent.

NB: Costigan was not sworn for this meeting in an oversight. Votes to accept the fire truck will need to be retaken.